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INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL ACTIVITIES OF THE

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International Activities

At the national conventions in Los Angeles in 1958 and in Portland, Oregon, in 1959, resolutions were passed strongly endorsing President Eisenhower's People-to-People Program. In energetic and concrete support of this program, the association has taken the following action:

1) In March, 1958, a cordial invitation was extended to Dr. Rasilov Maric, Curator of the National Collection of Coins, in the Yugoslav National Museum to fly to Los Angeles as a guest of the association during our national convention. This was an all-expense-paid trip for Dr. Maric, but unfortunately, the Yugoslav government would not grant permission for Dr. Maric to make this trip.

2) In June of 1959 the association sponsored a visit by its national president, Rear Admiral O. H. Dodson, USN (Ret.), to European numismatic groups in Poland, the Soviet Union, Finland, Denmark, Austria, and Greece. A gift of ten books on numismatics recently published in the United States was presented to each foreign society visited.

3) In November, 1959, a gift of numismatic publications was made to the Republic of South Korea and to the U.S.I.S. in Algeria.

4) The association is currently sponsoring a drive for numismatic books to be presented to the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of the Philippines to replace the library of this society which was lost during the destruction of Manila in World War II.

5) Jointly with the Canadian Numismatic Association, the American Association is sponsoring the first international numismatic convention to be held in the new world. This is scheduled for Detroit during August, 1962.

National Activities

1) The association encourages research and articles in the field of numismatics and gives a series of awards known as the Heath Literary Awards for the best papers presented each year.

2) Each year the association sponsors a National Coin Week. During this week the 350 local clubs affiliated with the national association are encouraged to publicly display coinage with emphasis on the cultural and historical aspects of numismatics.

3) At annual national conventions the association conducts an Educational Forum, where distinguished scholars present papers on their special fields, and an extensive exhibition of coinage throughout the ages is set up. The exhibit of coinage is open to the public and daily attracts hundreds of visitors.

4) The association publishes a monthly journal which enjoys the largest circulation in its field. Our journal, THE NUMISMATIST, is received by the 19,000 members of the association and also goes to more than one thousand libraries and other subscribers overseas.